

This over here is 2013 to 2016. This is 2016 to 2019. Most of this economic change was really 2018 and 2019.

This is mean family income. If you take a look, the blue is the poorest quartiles in our society. 2016, 2015, 2014, 2013, going back, they were getting their heads kicked in. Income inequality really was growing, but it was growing under the Obama's administration's policies.

If you take a look at what happened after tax reform, income inequality shrank. The blue here is our lowest quartiles. I hate that number, but it is economics. Working men and women, particularly the working poor, saw almost a 10 percent increase in their wages in those couple years. The wealthy only saw about 2.9 percent.

If anyone ever wants to really dive into it, the discussion between supply-side economics and Keynesian economics and the distortion that politics have turned to those things, if you actually care about where we are going—you remember the very first chart that showed \$101 trillion of debt that is coming at us. We are making our society and our country incredibly fragile to an interest rate spike, a military conflict, or another pandemic.

If we need infrastructure, let's build infrastructure. We can work out the financing mechanisms. But does long-term care really belong in the infrastructure bill? We need a revolution in what healthcare is, because you saw on the first chart, healthcare is the primary driver of U.S. sovereign debt. Once again, understand the ACA, Obamacare, the Republican alternative, Medicare for All, are not pieces of legislation that change the cost of healthcare. When you see them, the percent of GDP that goes to healthcare stays the same. They are financing bills. This is one of the thought processes here that has been so difficult to crack through our skulls. We keep having debates on this floor that are about who pays and who gets subsidized. We don't have conversations of what we can do to unleash creativity in technology, whether it be in environment, whether it be in infrastructure, whether it be in healthcare.

Until this place starts to see this in a holistic sort of continuous circle of healthcare actually has something to do with infrastructure, but the way you keep debt financing it, the debt becomes our fragility, and the debt is what is going to crush our future and do true economic violence to the working poor, and even to my 5-year-old daughter's future.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

#### HONORING NEWLYN WING

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 2021, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Florida (Mr. SOTO) for 30 minutes.

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, in honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander

Heritage Month, I would like to recognize Newlyn Wing.

Newlyn Wing is a current resident of Orlando, Florida, who over the last 5 years has become a passionate advocate for building leadership coalitions in the Asian-American and Orange County communities.

With a family history stemming from Michigan and Vietnamese refugees, he grew up experiencing the individualistic and collectivistic cultures of the United States and Vietnam. His upbringing created a belief within Newlyn that our collective well-beings are tied to each other's progress. He believes when our best individual efforts and perspectives are shared, we can all progress forward.

This principle led him to pursue leadership positions and projects with local and national nonprofits and associations. He holds roles as the president of the National Association of Asian American Professionals, Orlando chapter, and the chief strategy officer role with the NAAAP national. Newlyn is passionate about strategies and partnerships that give individuals a platform for building their leadership and having a true impact in their industries and communities.

In his work within the Orange County community, Newlyn has created leadership programs for high school and college students, helped lead voter education initiatives, and led efforts to increase the representation of Asian American Pacific Islanders in community leadership positions. He is grateful for the amazing leadership teams he has been a part of and for the opportunity to serve his community.

Outside of his community volunteer work, Newlyn currently serves as association manager for Junior Chamber International USA, a not-for-profit organization of young active citizens. The JCI USA mission, to provide development opportunities that empower young people to create positive change, aligns with Newlyn's passion and background.

For this and more, Mr. Newlyn Wing, we honor you.

#### HONORING ADRIAN LEE

Mr. SOTO. In honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, I would like to recognize Adrian Lee.

Adrian Lee is a senior undergraduate student at the University of Central Florida, studying political science, with a track in international affairs and a minor in human communications.

During her time at UCF, Adrian was involved in Asian-interest student organizations, including the Asian Student Association, the Sparks Magazine Chapter of UCF, and the Asian Pacific American Coalition.

As president of the Asian Pacific American Coalition, Adrian worked with multiple executive student boards, administrative offices, and community partners to amplify Asian-American issues and provide networking opportunities.

She is most proud of introducing her new scholarships during UCF's celebration of Asian Pacific American Heritage Month, recognizing the creativity, leadership, and advocacy of APIDA students.

During her free time, Adrian enjoys painting and visiting local restaurants of greater Orlando.

For this and more, Adrian Lee, we honor you.

#### HONORING DR. HEFANG LIN

Mr. SOTO. In honor of Asian American Pacific Islander Heritage Month, I would like to recognize Dr. Hefang Lin.

Dr. Hefang Lin received her Ph.D. in statistics from Virginia Tech in 1999. She has published many papers in journals, such as the Journal of Statistical Computation and Simulation, the Criminal Justice Review, Corrections Today, et cetera.

She has worked as a research statistician in the Orange County Corrections Department for 14 years. Her statistical analysis and reports help decision-makers deliver better community outcomes by enhancing efficiency and productivity. As a result of her work, management has a data-based driven, decision-making process.

Prior to OCCD, she worked for a consulting company in Washington, D.C., until 2007. She worked on many projects for the Federal Government, including the U.S. Marshals, ICE, and the Administrative Office of the U.S. Courts. She is also vice chair of the research council in the American Correctional Association and the former president of the Club Orange Toastmasters.

Dr. Hefang Lin is the founder and president of the Orange County Asian Committee, with the mission of bringing the community together while promoting inclusivity and the rich heritage of Asian Americans, since 2012. In order to advocate for Asian cultures, diversity, and inclusiveness, she leads numerous events, such as cultural performances, art contests, and awards. During the pandemic, when face masks were in short supply, she organized people to donate masks to help prevent the spread of and protect against the COVID-19 healthcare crisis in Orange County and people in need.

Dr. Lin now lives with her husband in Oviedo, Florida, and has two beautiful daughters.

For this and more, Dr. Hefang Lin, we honor you.

#### HONORING ONCHANATHO AM

Mr. SOTO. In honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, I would like to recognize Onchantho Am.

Onchantho Am makes no secret of her humble beginnings. She is a child of Cambodian refugees who escaped the Khmer Rouge. Due to unfortunate circumstances, she and her siblings were removed from her parents' care and placed in the foster system. One of her first recollections of the judicial system was when she advocated on behalf of her siblings to have them reunited

under one roof. Rather than being broken by such adversity, she embraced her experiences to fuel a passion for public service and child advocacy. She aged out of the foster system and went on to become the first in her family to attend college and graduate from the University of Florida. She earned her J.D. from Stetson University College of Law, where she earned the prestigious Victor O. Wehle Trial Advocacy Award and the Thomas E. Penick, Jr. Award.

Onchantho is the vice president of quality and chief legal officer of IMPOWER, Inc., where she leads the organization to new levels working diligently to improve the lives of children and families.

Outside of work, Mrs. Am is heavily involved in the legal and the Asian American Pacific Islander community. As the president of the Greater Orlando Asian American Bar Association, she put public service and community outreach to the forefront, spearheading several successful virtual programs, including the Voter Initiative, the Asian Fusion Nights, Cooking for a Cause, and Stop AAPI Hate panel. She is also an active board member of the National Association of Asian American Professionals, a member of the Orange County Asian American Committee, and the scholarship chair of the Orange County Bar Association Foundation.

But for all her accomplishments and accolades, her greatest pride and joy is to share with her husband the adventure of raising three multiracial daughters to become strong, empowered women.

For this and more, Mrs. Onchantho Am, we honor you.

HONORING SHALLY WONG

Mr. SOTO. In honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, I would like to recognize Shally Wong.

Shally Wong is the special assistant of Mayor Jerry Demings of the Orange County government.

A Hong Kong immigrant, Ms. Wong has proudly served the central Florida Asian American community since 2005. Her programs include cultural outreach, unity, and inclusion for all peoples of the Asian American community and beyond. Ms. Wong invests in all of her responsibilities a vision of diversity, understanding, acceptance, and respect that nurtures present and future generations. She takes great pride in representing her culture and being a voice for those underrepresented within her community.

With an MIS bachelor's degree in business administration, Ms. Wong brings dedication, meticulousness, and selflessness to many professional and local projects from idea through completion. Examples of such projects include the Asia Trend Magazine publication; the Asia Trend, Inc., nonprofit organization; and the Dragon Parade Lunar New Year.

Ms. Wong's prior recognized positions include vice president of the Chinese American Association of Central Flor-

ida, president of CAACF, and board director of the Asian American Chamber of Commerce, for which she served as treasurer in 2007. Her various awards and merits include the AACF's Ellison S. Onizuka Humanitarian Award, the Asian American Heritage Council Community Service Award, and the Outstanding Community Service Award and recognition of County Mayor Teresa Jacobs. Ms. Wong now serves as board director of FusionFest, Inc.

For this and more, Ms. Shally Wong, we honor you.

HONORING SADIQUILLAH BABURI

Mr. SOTO. In honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, I would like to recognize Sadiquillah Baburi.

Sadiquillah Baburi, born on June 10, 1977, to father Baqi Baburi and mother Sadeeqa Baburi in Kandahar, Afghanistan, is the oldest of eight siblings. The Soviet occupation of the eighties took many of his family members' lives and forced him and his family to flee their home and brought them to the United States in the year 1990.

Supporting his family financially, Sadiq worked as a dishwasher with his brother-in-law Mohamed Amin in a diner in Schenectady, New York, until they gathered enough money to build their own restaurant in Newark, New Jersey. After several years, he moved with his entire family to Florida and eventually opened his newest restaurant with his brother-in-law, Kennedy Chicken and Grill, named after the airport he and his wife first arrived in as immigrants. The restaurant employs many immigrants who came to the U.S. seeking new opportunities as he and his family did years ago.

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At the present moment, Sadiq has four children. He and his wife have been married since 1996. Mr. Baburi contributes to many local charities through his small business work in the central Florida community.

For this and more, Mr. Sadiquillah Baburi, we honor you.

HONORING FRANCISCO RUEDA HALILI, M.D.,  
F.A.C.S.

Mr. SOTO. Mr. Speaker, in honor of Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month, I would like to recognize Dr. Francisco Rueda Halili, M.D., F.A.C.S.

Dr. Francisco "Frank" Halili, M.D., is a man who appears to have more than 24 hours in a day. And for every single second of those extra hours, there is a man living life to the fullest, a man of God and country. He uses his time, talents, and treasures to help others.

A board-certified general surgeon in the central Florida area for more than 27 years, Dr. Halili's sharp mind and skillful hands have sought to provide the best care for everyone he meets. It is hard to even imagine the number of lives he has changed either directly or indirectly as a doctor.

Born in Manila, Philippines, to Filipino-U.S. immigrants who made sac-

rifices, like many other immigrants do when starting over in the U.S., he was instead raised by his grandmother in the Philippines.

A graduate of Ateneo de Manila High School, he would eventually attend Florida Southern College, majoring in biochemistry, and later attend medical school at the University of Miami School of Medicine, class of 1988.

Dr. Halili did his surgical residency at Brookdale Hospital Medical Center in Brooklyn, New York, and started his private practice in 1993 as a general surgeon in Kissimmee, Florida.

Anyone who has ever seen Dr. Halili in the operating room knows of his love for his alma mater and UM Hurricane sports. His medical students and nurses can easily spot him proudly wearing anything and everything University of Miami, orange and green, all the way down to his famous orange-colored operating room shoes. Go Canes.

Over his 27-year career, it is hard to say exactly how many hours Dr. Halili has spent in surgery, with delicate hands caring for his patients. But for every one of those hours, getting to the four hospitals no matter what time or emergency, he has somehow defied the laws of physics and created even more time in the day to be a full-time loving husband to Joanna and devoted father to Francis and Francene.

For this and more, Dr. Francisco Halili, we honor you.

Mr. Speaker, I yield back the balance of my time.

#### NEWS FROM OUR SOUTHERN BORDER

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Under the Speaker's announced policy of January 4, 2021, the Chair recognizes the gentleman from Wisconsin (Mr. GROTHMAN) for 30 minutes.

Mr. GROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, since our last couple of floor periods, I had a chance to visit our southern border one more time, and I would like to point out what is going on there because I think it is the most important issue in America today.

So that our listeners understand, there are two classes of people who come to our border. There are people who are caught or deal with the Border Patrol—and a lot of people want to be found by the Border Patrol because they think they can come into this country through an asylum process—and there are other people who sneak across the border.

In April, our Border Patrol touched—or dealt with about 178,000 individuals. A year ago, that number was 17,000. So we have voluntarily gone up from having the Border Patrol deal with about 17,000 to 178,000.

As we deal with more people who are touched by the Border Patrol, the Border Patrol has to spend more time doing paperwork, particularly with the children.

We have another group of people coming across the border called get-